TABLE 9.0

MM Fields mapping to Email fields	
MM Fields	Outgoing Email Fields
X-mms-MessageType From Date To Cc Message Body Content-type Subject Priority	N/A From Date To Cc Message text and attachments Content-type Subject N/A

[0112] MMS Relay

[0113] The MMS relay 122 maps the text priority values of the M-send.req message to numerical values (For example Low, Normal, High will be mapped to 1, 2, 3 respectively) before causing the creation of any MM notification messages.

[0114] The MMS relay 122 accepts, e.g., 10 digit MINs for person to person MM addresses, and/or any standard email address for person to email messages.

[0115] The MMS relay 122 may accept MMS addresses formatted as (MIN)@doman-name.com. In addition the MMS relay 122 may truncate the @domain-name.com in order to do MIN based routing.

[0116] The MMS relay 122 may manage the creation of M-notification.ind messages to be sent to the SMPP client 130. See Table 1.0

[0117] The MMS Relay 122 validates the MMS Address (10 digit MIN) of all MM destined for User Agent delivery by checking the Subscriber Data Store. Any unknown MIN is preferably denied service, and in the person to person delivery case, the appropriate status value error code can be sent to the originator within the M-send.conf message.

[0118] The MMS Relay 122 returns an M-retrieve.err message to the MMS User agent 201, 202 if a GET request cannot be satisfied.

[0119] MMS Server

[0120] The MMS Server 124 directs the storage and retrieval of Multimedia Messages in a non-volatile memory system 125.

[0121] The MMS Server 124 stores all MM destined for users serviced by the MMS Relay 122.

[0122] The MMS server database 125 is preferably suitably sized, e.g., preferably able to store many GB of MM data, or more.

[0123] The MMS server 124 automatically deletes expired multimedia messages. Further, the MMS server 124 preferably supports a tool for manually deleting multimedia from storage in the database by appropriate maintenance personnel.

[0124] While the invention has been described with reference to the exemplary embodiments thereof, those skilled in the art will be able to make various modifications to the

described embodiments of the invention without departing from the true spirit and scope of the invention.

What is claimed is:

1. A method of sending a multimedia message, comprising:

inserting a multimedia message into an HTTP POST command:

addressing said HTTP POST command to a multimedia message database; and

transmitting said HTTP POST command including said multimedia message.

2. The method of sending a multimedia message according to claim 1, wherein:

said HTTP POST command is transmitted via a wireless network.

3. The method of sending a multimedia message according to claim 1, wherein:

said multimedia message database is associated with a multimedia message service center.

4. The method of sending a multimedia message according to claim 1, wherein said multimedia message includes at least one of the following:

a digital image;

a text message;

an audio file; and

a digital movie;

5. The method of sending a multimedia message according to claim 4, wherein:

said digital image is a JPEG compressed image.

6. The method of sending a multimedia message according to claim 4, wherein:

said audio file is a WAV format audio file.

7. The method of sending a multimedia message according to claim 4, wherein:

said digital movie is a MOV format movie.

8. The method of sending a multimedia message according to claim 1, wherein:

said multimedia message is sent from a wireless device.

9. The method of sending a multimedia message according to claim 1, wherein:

said multimedia message is received by a wireless device.

10. The method of sending a multimedia message according to claim 1, wherein:

said multimedia message is sent from a first wireless device, and received by a second wireless device.

11. A method of receiving a multimedia message, comprising:

receiving a multimedia message Notification message;

transmitting an HTTP GET command to retrieve a multimedia message from a multimedia message database; and

receiving a response to said HTTP GET command including said retrieved multimedia message.

12. The method of receiving a multimedia message according to claim 11, wherein: